



MCNALLY AT A LOSS AS FUJITSU V8 SPEED DISSAPEARS
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Mark McNally could not carry his practice pace over to qualifying at Victoria's Winton Raceway in Round 5 of the Fujitsu V8 Supercar Series today.

After being second fastest overall yesterday in patchy conditions the West Australian came across front grip problems in today's qualifying which also carried over to Race 1.

Being his home test track, McNally knew what to expect as far as lap times go and was looking for a high 1.24 second lap knowing that on a slippery test day he can be in the low 1.25 bracket.

Today's qualifying pace was an unwelcome surprise to Mark who had high expectations. 17th fastest with a 1:25.9 was not what he wanted.

"The car had severe front end grip problems today and that is where the problem lies for us," he said.

"The West Coast Racing guys, the Brad Jones Racing guys, all of us are pulling our hair out trying to work out a solution for the problem."

Mark was able to chip away at it in Race 1 but the car was far from easy to drive.

"I ended up 13th which still gives me an opportunity to move up tomorrow if we can sort the car out."

"We will study the feedback from the BJR drivers in today's main V8 race and see if we can come to a positive conclusion."

The main factor different this weekend to any test day is the extremely cold weather and track temperature.

"We are seriously shocked at the lack of pace today; I know I can drive fast around this track and should be in the top 5 if we can just get the car right."

Mark has Race 2 and 3 tomorrow.

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